



## Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

**Meeting Date:** February 21, 2012

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**Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head:**

Sherri E. Fleming, County Executive of Travis County Health and Human Services & Veterans Service

**Commissioners Court Sponsor:** Judge Samuel T. Biscoe

### **AGENDA LANGUAGE:**

Receive input from the public related to the Community Development Block Grant available from HUD regarding the community needs and project ideas for the unincorporated areas of Travis County and the Village of Webberville for Program Year 2012.

### **BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:**

Under the provisions of Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 USC 5301), the Federal government through the U.S Department of Housing and Community Development (HUD) sponsors the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - a program that provides annual grants to cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and by expanding economic opportunities for low and moderate income persons.

Annually, HUD requires each grantee to develop an Action Plan specifying the activities to be undertaken with CDBG funds. For the program year 2012 (October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013), Travis County is expected to receive an estimated \$896,341 in CDBG funds.

To be compliant with 24 Congressional Federal Regulation (CFR) Part 91.105 and the approved Travis County Citizen Participation Plan (CPP), Travis County must hold a public hearing at the Travis County Commissioners Court, and one public hearing in each of the four County precincts. During these hearings the public will learn about CDBG objectives, eligible activities, available funds, and CDBG project history.

**AGENDA REQUEST DEADLINE:** All agenda requests and supporting materials must be submitted as a pdf to Cheryl Aker in the County Judge's office, [Cheryl.Aker@co.travis.tx.us](mailto:Cheryl.Aker@co.travis.tx.us) by **Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m.** for the next week's meeting.

This information is available in a power point presentation (in English and Spanish, see Attachments A and B). Additionally, the public will have the opportunity to provide information on community needs and make recommendations for projects. This information will guide the selection of CDBG projects for PY12.

On Tuesday, January 24, 2012, the Travis County Commissioners Court approved the public hearing dates and advertisements for the spring public hearings. Notice of the public hearings was provided in newspapers of general circulation, through postal and electronic mailings, and postings on the County's website, Facebook, Twitter and at the seven Travis County Community Centers. Due to newspaper coverage in the Del Valle and Manor areas, special outreach efforts were made to Del Valle ISD and Manor ISD, which included the announcement of the hearings on their website and distribution of the flyers to schools. The hearing on February 21, 2012 is the first of the public hearings. A quorum of the Commissioners Court may attend the remaining hearings occurring Feb 22 - 27.

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Staff recommends the public hearing, in order to be compliant with HUD regulations and Travis County's Citizen Participation Plan.

#### **ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:**

Additional public hearings will be held on:

**Eastside Service Center**  
6011 Blue Bluff Rd.  
Austin, Texas, 78724

Wednesday, February 22 @ 6:30 pm

**South Rural Community Center**  
3518 FM 973  
Del Valle, Texas, 78617

Thursday, February 23 @ 6:30 pm

**Steiner Ranch Community Center**  
1255 Country Trails Lane  
Austin, TX 78732

Saturday, February 25 @ 9:00 am

**West Rural Community Center**  
8656-A Hwy 71 W., Suite A

Monday, February 27 @ 6:30 pm

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Oak Hill, Texas, 78735

Beginning on February 21, 2012, those that are not able to attend the public hearings will have an opportunity to provide their input in writing by filling out a Participation Form. This form will be available at the Travis County CDBG website [www.co.travis.tx.us/CDBG](http://www.co.travis.tx.us/CDBG), at one of the seven Travis County Community Centers, or by requesting the form be mailed.

**FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

No budget impacts are anticipated by this item.

**REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:**


None.

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Attachment A

# TRAVIS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

Spring, 2012 Public Hearings:  
Identification of Community Needs and Project Ideas  
February, 2012



Presentation by the Travis County Health and Human Services & Veteran Services Department

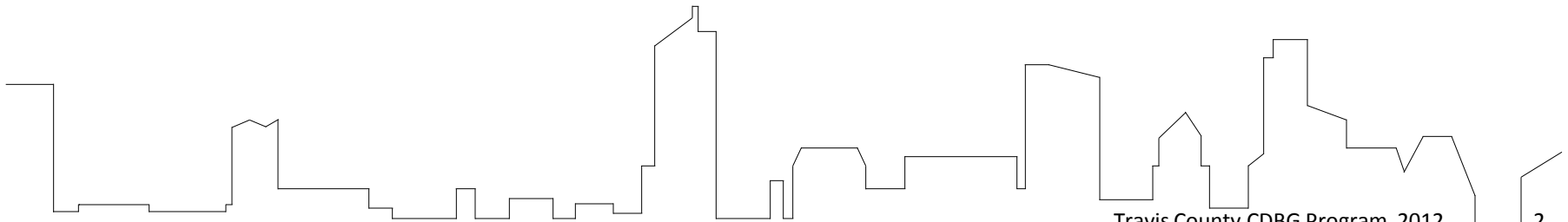
# SPRING 2012 PUBLIC HEARINGS



*Five public hearings* will be conducted to help the County determine how to spend an estimated \$896,341 in CDBG funds for the 2012 program year

## PUBLIC HEARING TIMES AND LOCATIONS

Feb. 21 <sup>th</sup> , 2012 @ 9:00 am	Feb. 22 <sup>th</sup> , 2012 @ 6:30 pm	Feb. 23 <sup>th</sup> , 2012 @ 6:30 pm	Feb. 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2012 @ 9:00 am	Feb. 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2012 @ 6:30 pm
Travis County Granger Building Commissioners Courtroom 314 W. 11th St. Austin, TX 78701	Eastside Service Center, Town Hall Room 6011 Blue Bluff Road, Austin, TX 78724	South Rural Community Center (Del Valle) 3518 FM 973 Del Valle, TX 78617	Steiner Ranch Community Center 12550 Country Trails Lane Austin, TX 78732	West Rural Community Center 8656-A Hwy 71W Oak Hill, TX 78735



# ACTIONS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT



## DURING THE MEETINGS THE PUBLIC WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO:

1. Identify which of the CDBG priorities established for the 2011-2013 period need to be addressed in Program Year 2012
2. Identify specific projects ideas

# OTHER PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES



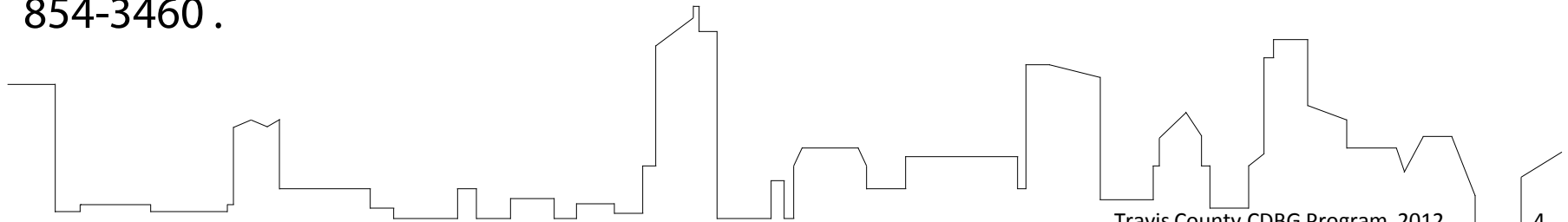
## CITIZEN PARTICIPATION FORM:

Available to the public that cannot attend the public hearings to identify needs

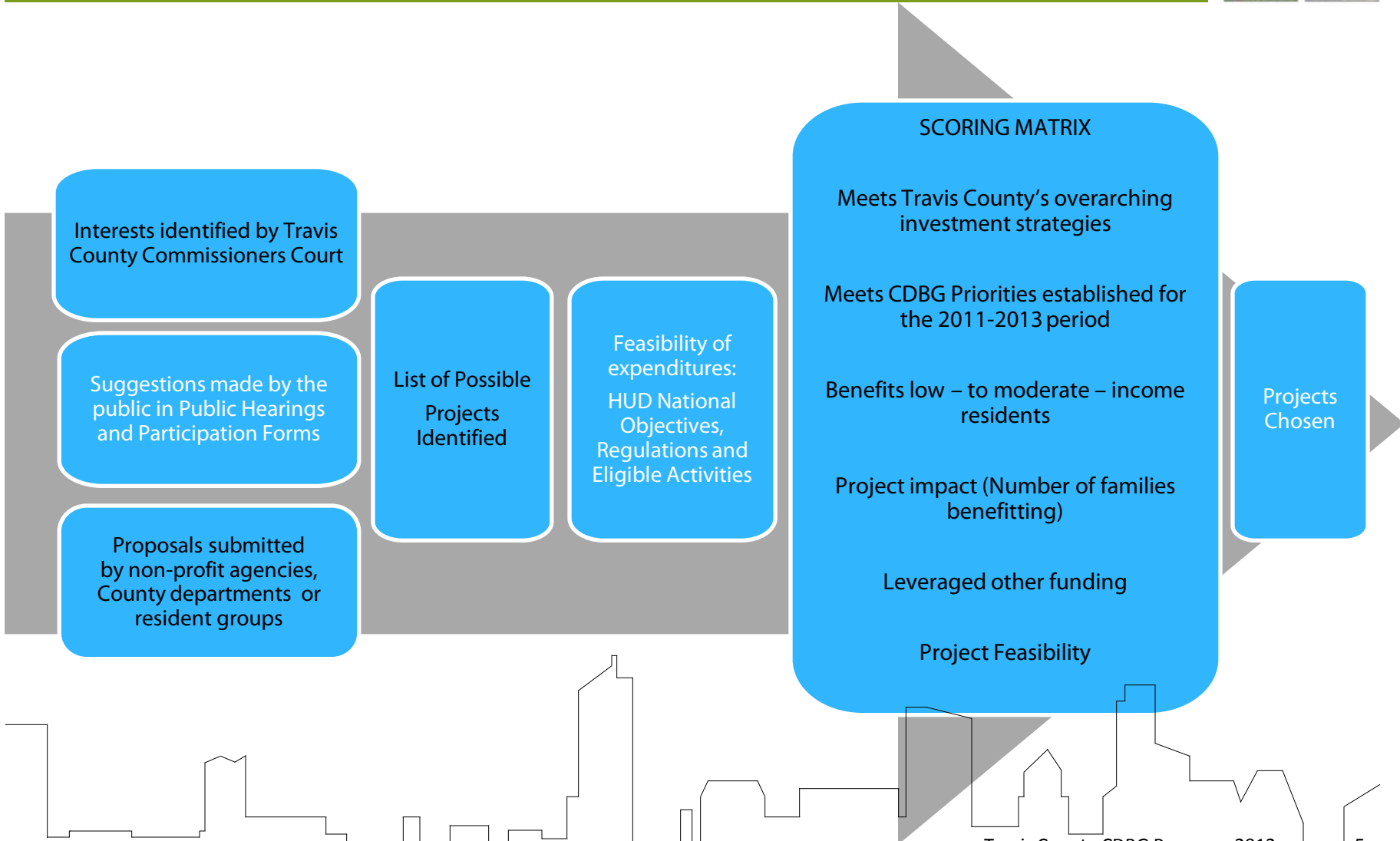
## PROJECT PROPOSAL FORM:

Available to individuals, agencies, or county departments that have specific project ideas

Forms can be found on the CDBG website ([www.co.travis.tx.us/CDBG](http://www.co.travis.tx.us/CDBG)) and at any of the seven Travis County Community Centers and are available February 21, 2012 through March 31, 2012. Forms can also be requested by calling 512-854-3460 .



# HOW ARE PROJECTS PRIORITIZED?



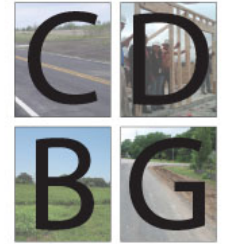
## SCORING MATRIX

- Meets Travis County's overarching investment strategies
- Meets CDBG Priorities established for the 2011-2013 period
- Benefits low - to moderate - income residents
- Project impact (Number of families benefitting)
- Leveraged other funding
- Project Feasibility

Projects Chosen



# CDBG BASICS

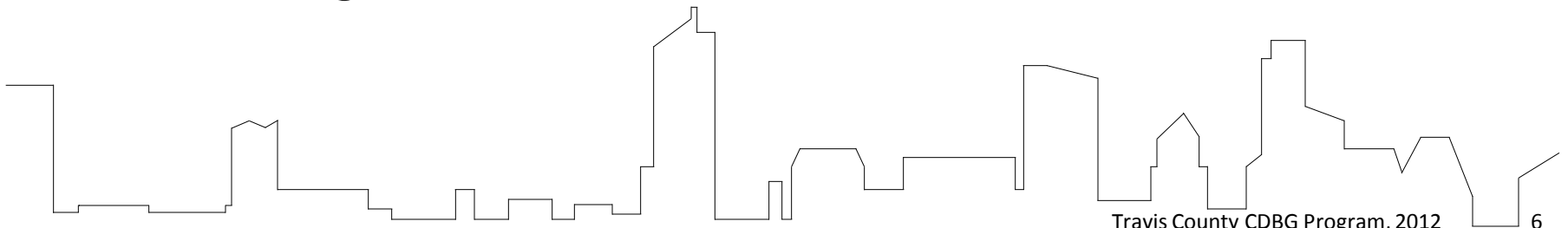


## PURPOSE

- Improve affordable housing options
- Improve community facilities and services
- Revitalize neighborhoods

## WHO BENEFITS?

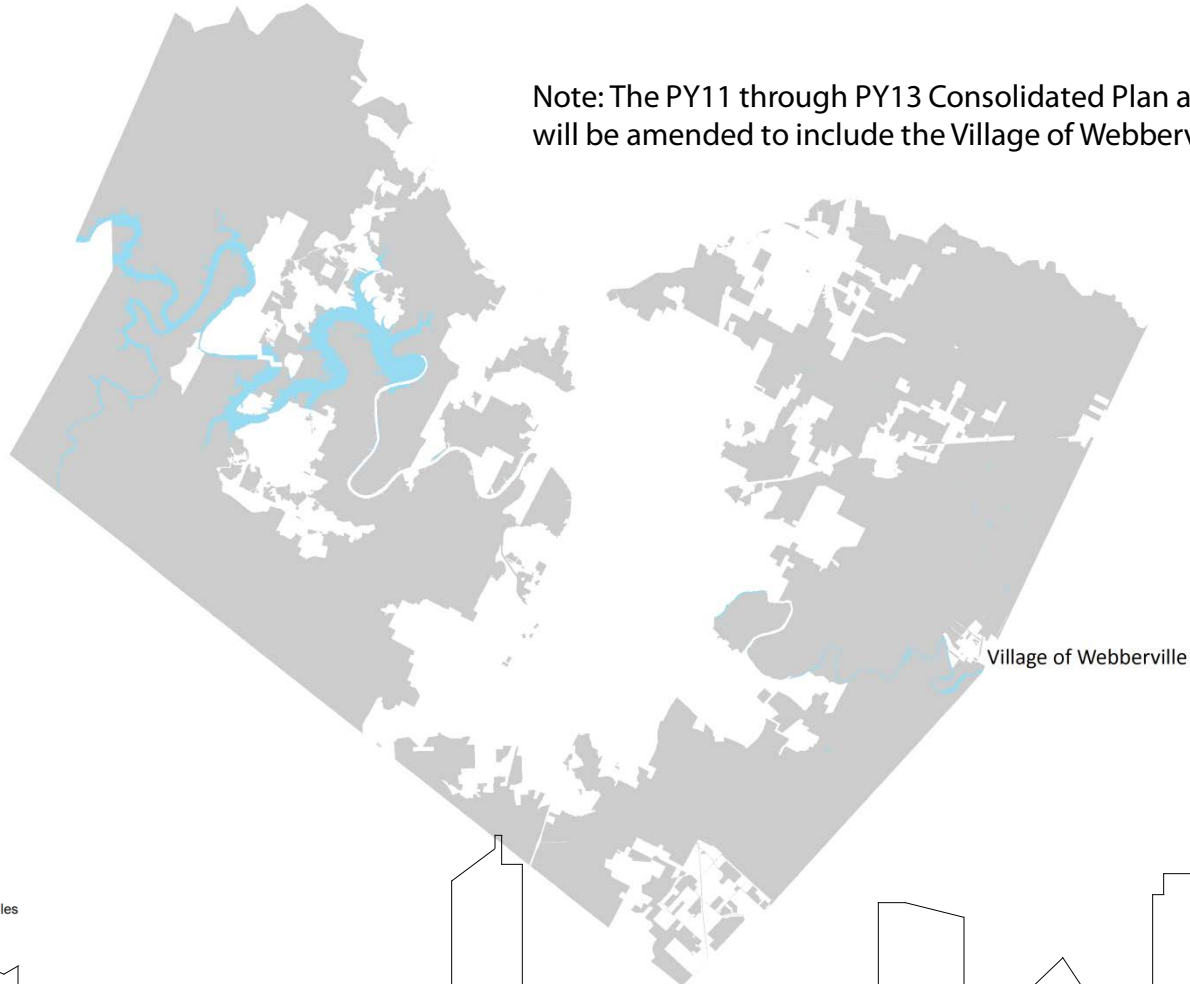
- At least 70 % of the funds must benefit low- to moderate-income residents in the unincorporated areas of Travis County or the Village of Webberville.



# PROJECTS MUST BE LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY (GRAY AREAS) OR THE VILLAGE OF WEBBERVILLE



Note: The PY11 through PY13 Consolidated Plan and PY 11 Action Plan will be amended to include the Village of Webberville



# ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES



CDBG programs implement a variety of community development activities including but not limited to:

Economic Development

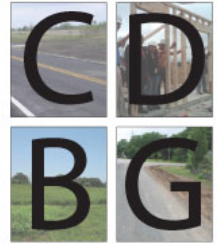
Public Services

Redevelopment  
(Improvements)

Planning

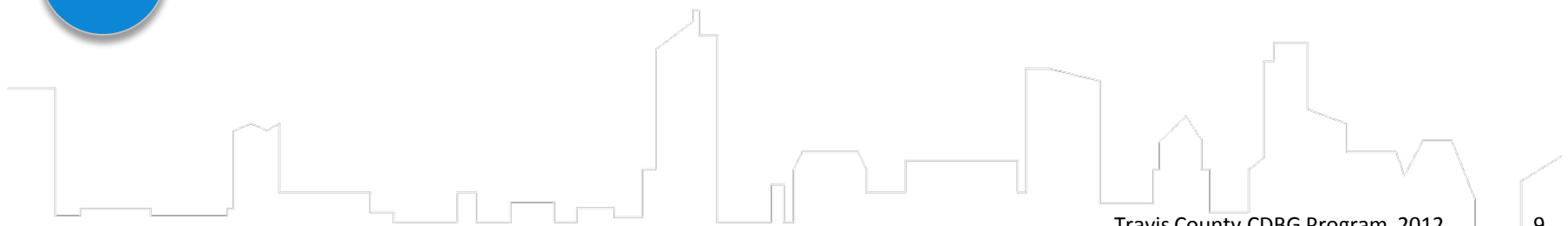
Housing

# INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES



Generally, the following types of activities are ineligible:

- 1 Acquisition, construction, or reconstruction of buildings for the general conduct of government
- 2 Construction of new housing by units of general local government
- 3 Certain income payments
- 4 Political activities



# CDBG PRIORITIES 2011-2013



## CATEGORY

## PRIORITY

Infrastructure

High

Housing

High

Community Services

High

Populations with Specialized Needs/Services

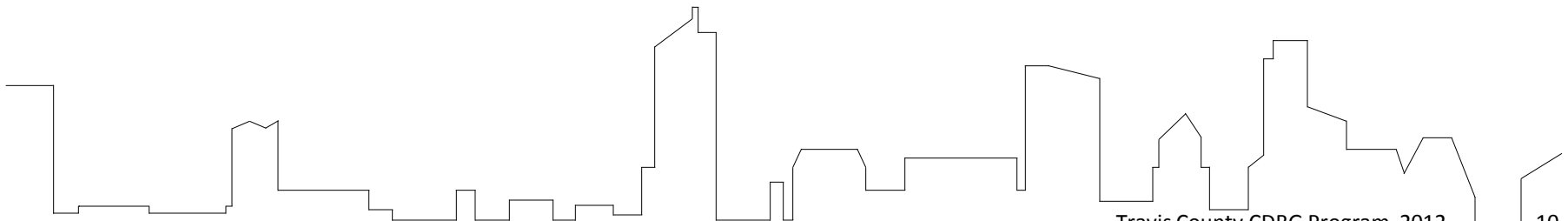
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Business and Jobs

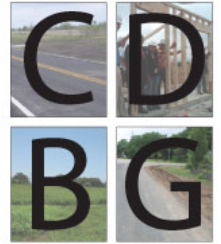
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Public Facilities

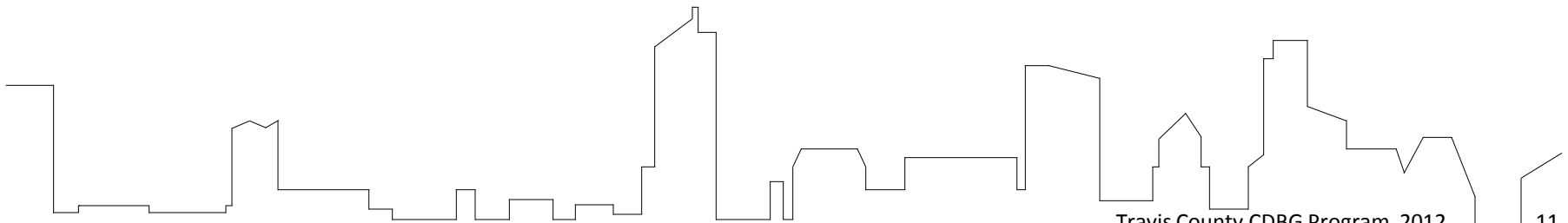
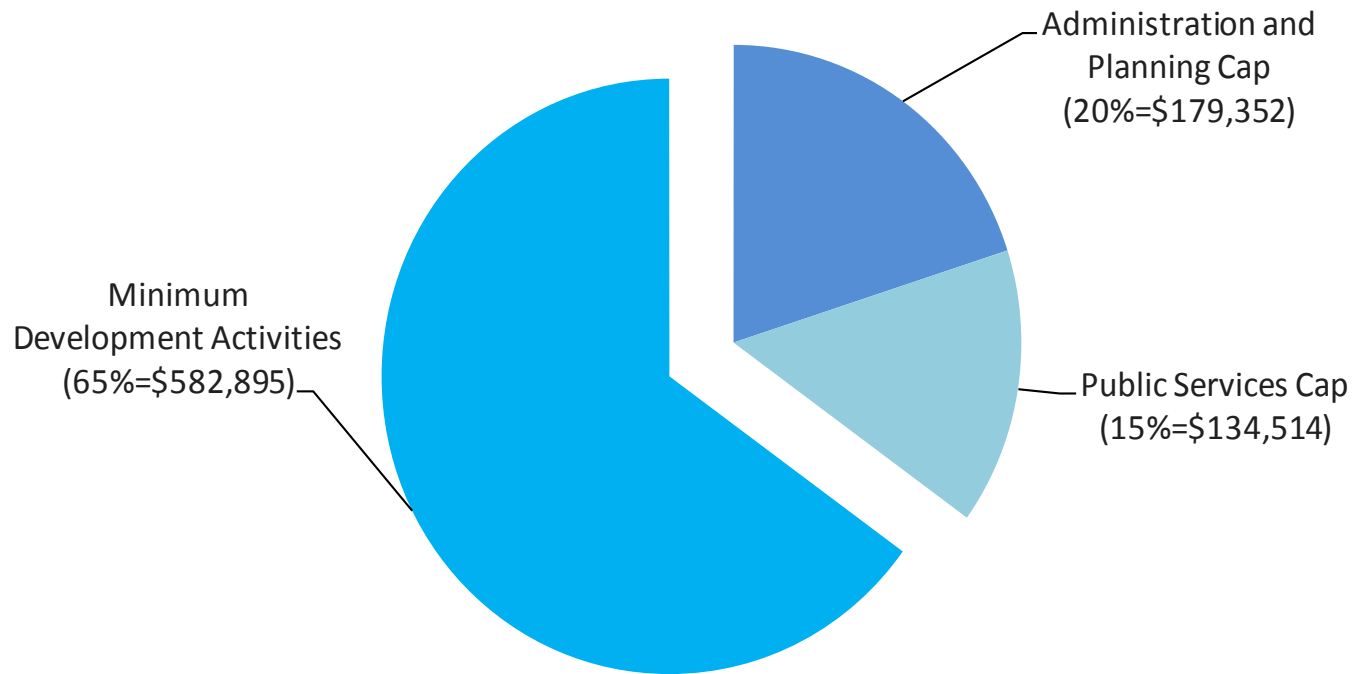
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# PROGRAM YEAR 2012 ESTIMATED GRANT: \$896,341



## CDBG Activities



# CDBG PROJECT HISTORY



Over the last 6 years, the CDBG program has funded:

HOME REHABILITATION

LAND ACQUISITION

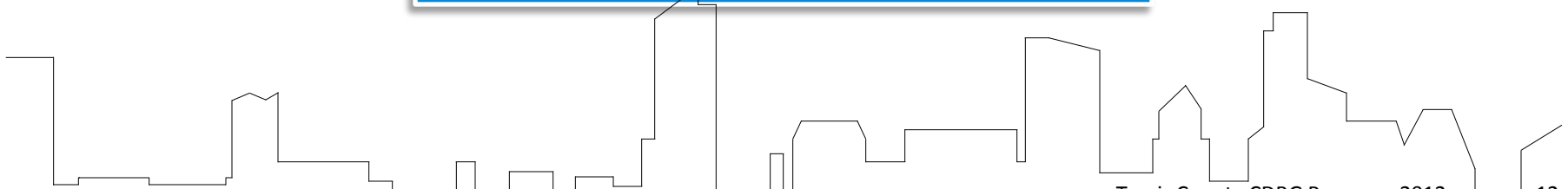
STREET IMPROVEMENTS

PLANNING AND  
ADMINISTRATION

HOMEBUYER ASSISTANCE

WATER IMPROVEMENTS AND  
CONNECTIONS

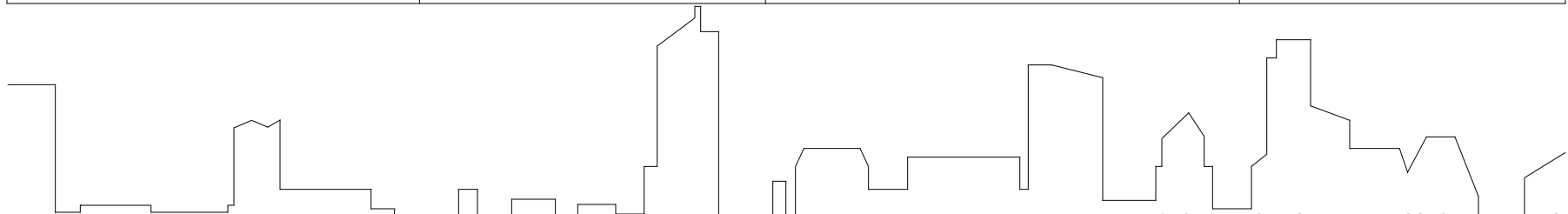
SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM  
EXPANSIONS



# SPRING 2012 – NEXT STEPS

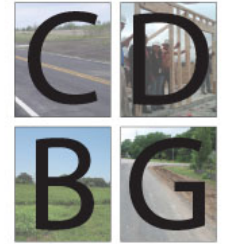


FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST
Five (5) Public Hearings seeking input on community needs and uses of funds	Solicitation of Project Ideas (deadline for submission of project proposals: March 31 <sup>st</sup> )	Evaluation of Project Ideas		Travis County Commissioners Court Approves Projects		Final approval of Action Plan by the Commissioners Court and Submission to HUD by the 15th
Two (2) Public Hearings and a 30-day Comment Period to comment on proposed CDBG uses						





# CDBG CONTACT INFORMATION



**WEBSITE** [www.co.travis.tx.us/CDBG](http://www.co.travis.tx.us/CDBG)

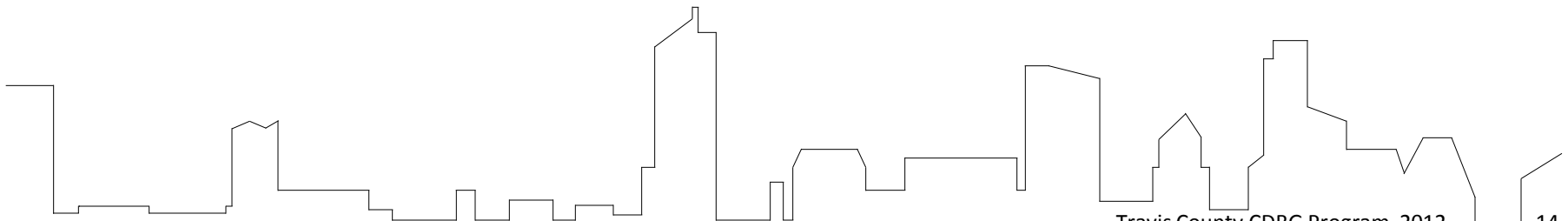
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# PROGRAMA DE SUBSIDIOS GLOBALES PARA EL DESARROLLO COMUNITARIO (CDBG) DEL CONDADO DE TRAVIS

Audiencia Públicas de la Primavera de 2012:  
Identificación de Necesidades Comunitarias e Ideas de  
Proyectos  
Febrero, 2012

# AUDIENCIAS PÚBLICAS PRIMAVERA DEL 2012



Se llevarán a cabo *cinco audiencias públicas* para ayudar al Condado a determinar cómo gastar aproximadamente \$896,341 en fondos del programa CDBG para el año programático 2012

## UBICACIÓN Y HORARIOS DE LAS AUDIENCIAS PÚBLICAS

21 de febrero de 2012 a las 9:00 am	22 de febrero de 2012 a las 6:30 pm	23 de febrero de 2012 a las 6:30 pm	25 de febrero de 2012 a las 9:00 am	27 de febrero de 2012 a las 6:30 pm
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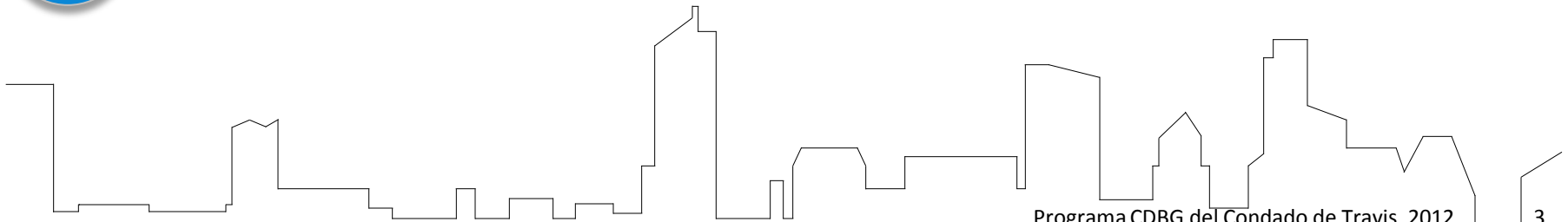
# ACCIONES PARA COMENTARIOS DEL PÚBLICO



## DURANTE LAS REUNIONES EL PÚBLICO TENDRÁ LA OPORTUNIDAD DE:

1. Identificar cual de las prioridades del programa CDBG establecidas para el período 2011-2013 necesitan ser atendidas en el año programático 2012

2. Identificar ideas específicas de proyectos



# OTRAS OPORTNIDADES PARA PARTICIPAR



**PLANILLA DE PARTICIPACIÓN PARA CIUDADANOS:** disponible para el público que no puede asistir a las audiencias públicas para identificar necesidades

**PLANILLA DE PROPUESTA DE PROYECTOS:** disponible para personas, agencias o departamentos del condado que tienen ideas específicas de proyectos

Las planillas se encuentran en el sitio web del programa CDBG ([www.co.travis.tx.us/CDBG](http://www.co.travis.tx.us/CDBG)) y en cualquiera de los siete Centros Comunitarios del Condado de Travis. Estarán disponibles desde el 21 de febrero de 2012 hasta el 31 de marzo de 2012. También puede solicitar las planillas llamando al 512-854-3460.

# ¿CÓMO SE PRIORIZAN LOS PROYECTOS?



La Corte de Comisionados del Condado de Travis identifica los intereses

El público brinda sugerencias durante las audiencias públicas y en las planillas de participación

Las agencias sin fines de lucro, departamentos del Condado y grupos de residentes presentan propuestas

Lista de posibles proyectos identificados

Viabilidad de los gastos: metas nacionales de HUD, reglamentación y actividades permitidas

## MATRIZ DE EVALUACIÓN

Cumple con las estrategias generales de inversión del Condado de Travis.

Cumple con las prioridades del CDBG establecidas para el período 2011-2013.

Beneficia a los residentes de bajos o medianos ingresos.

Impacto del proyecto (número de familias que se beneficiarán).  
Apalanca otros fondos.

Es un proyecto factible.

Se eligen los proyectos

# ASPECTOS BSICOS DEL CDBG



## PROPÓSITO

- Mejorar las opciones de viviendas asequibles
- Mejorar los servicios e instalaciones en la comunidad
- Revitalizar vecindarios

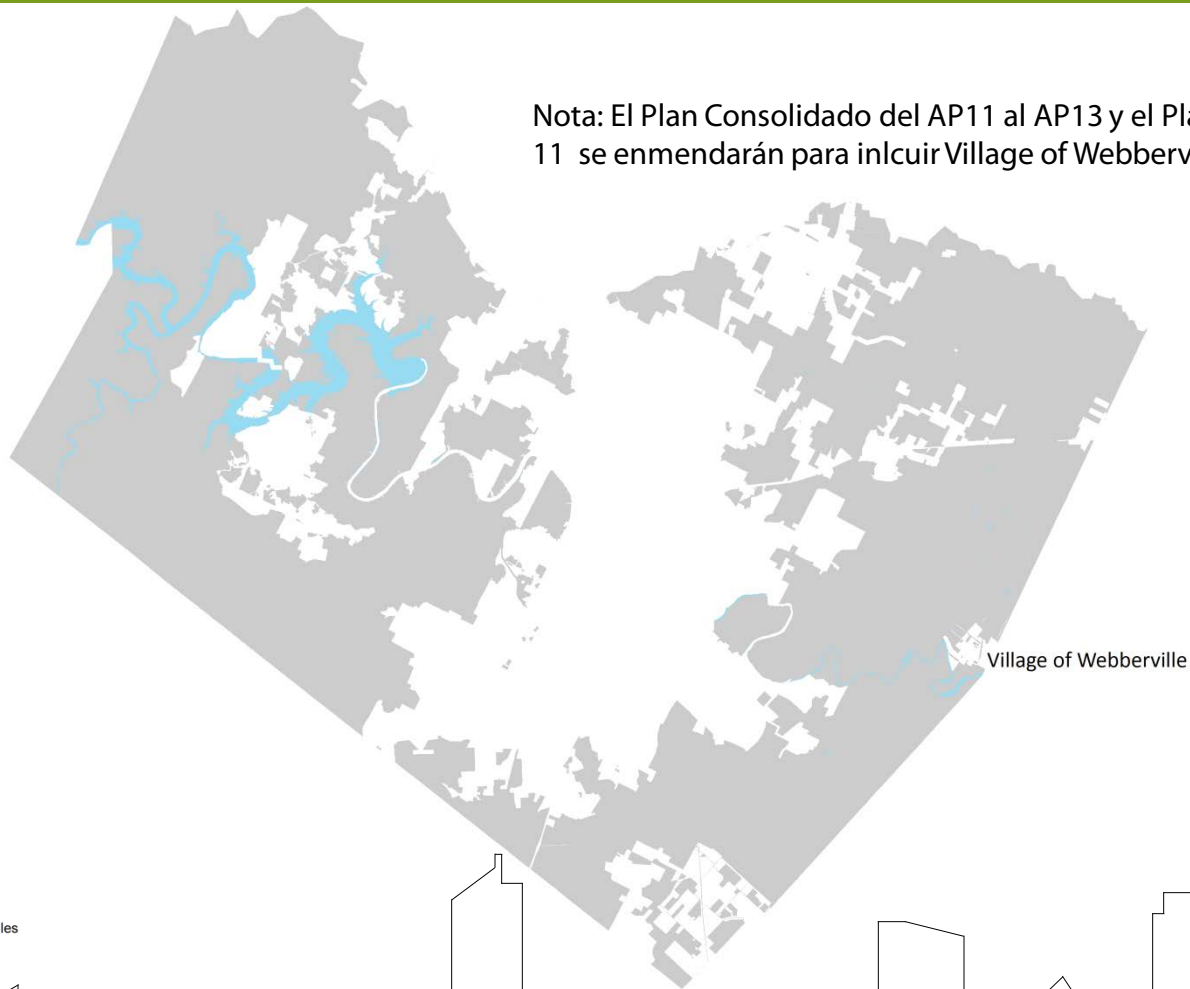
## ¿QUIÉNES SE BENEFICIAN?

- Por lo menos 70 % de los fondos deben beneficiar a residentes de bajos a medianos ingresos en áreas no incorporadas del Condado de Travis o en Village of Webberville

# LOS PROYECTOS DEBEN ESTAR UBICADOS EN ÁREAS NO INCORPORADAS DEL CONDADO (ÁREAS GRISES) O EN VILLAGE OF WEBBERVILLE

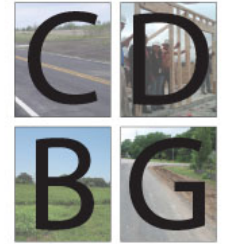


Nota: El Plan Consolidado del AP11 al AP13 y el Plan de Acción del AP 11 se enmendarán para incluir Village of Webberville

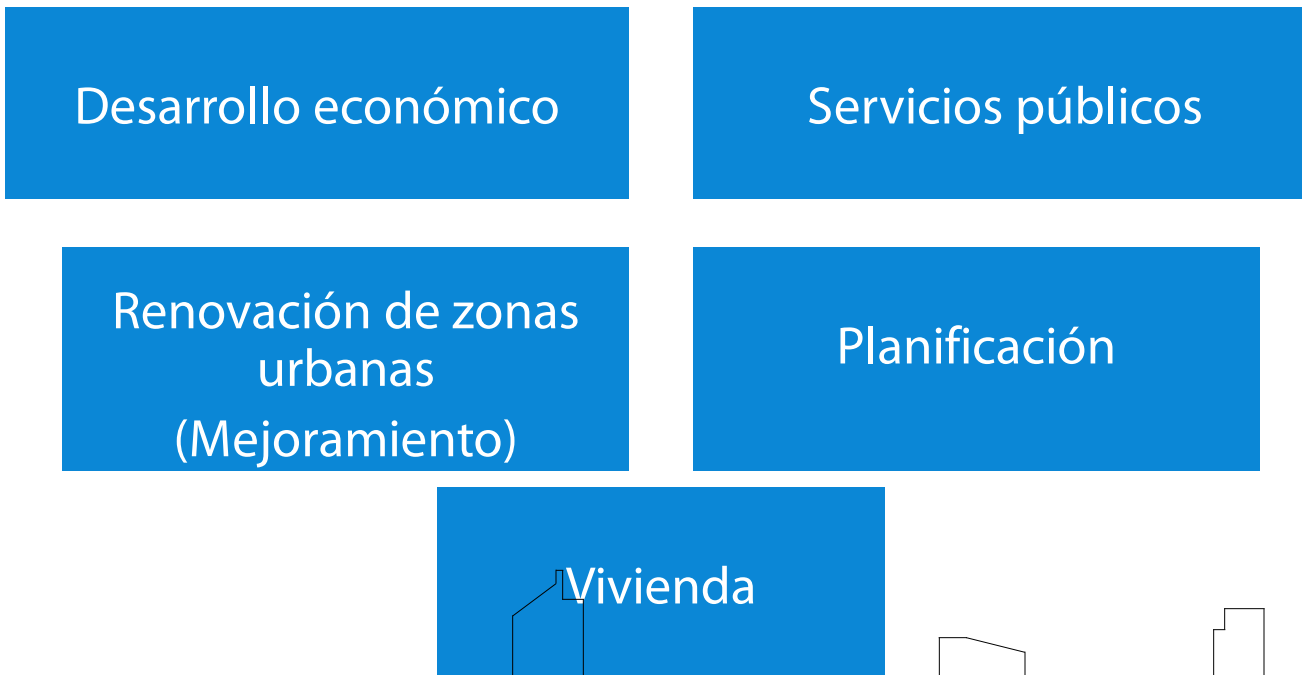




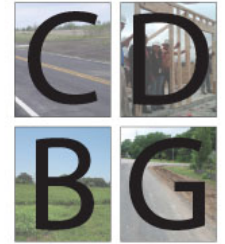
# ACTIVIDADES PERMITIDAS



Los programas del CDBG implementan una variedad de actividades de desarrollo comunitario que incluyen pero no están limitadas a:

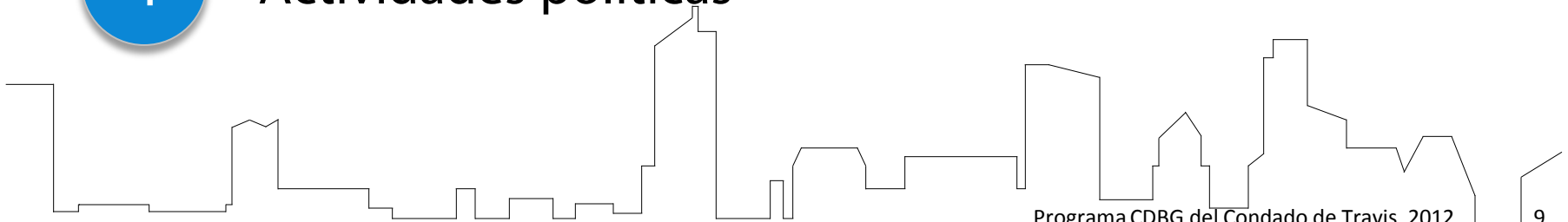


# ACTIVIDADES NO PERMITIDAS

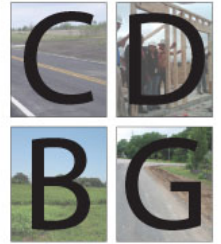


Generalmente, los siguientes tipos de actividades no están permitidas:

- 1 Adquisición, construcción o reconstrucción de edificios para uso general del gobierno
- 2 Construcción de nuevas viviendas por unidades de gobierno local general
- 3 Pagos de ciertos ingresos
- 4 Actividades políticas



# PRIORIDADES DEL CDBG 2011-2013



## CATEGORÍA

## PRIORIDAD

Infraestructura

Alta

Vivienda

Alta

Servicios comunitarios

Alta

Poblaciones con servicios y necesidades especializadas

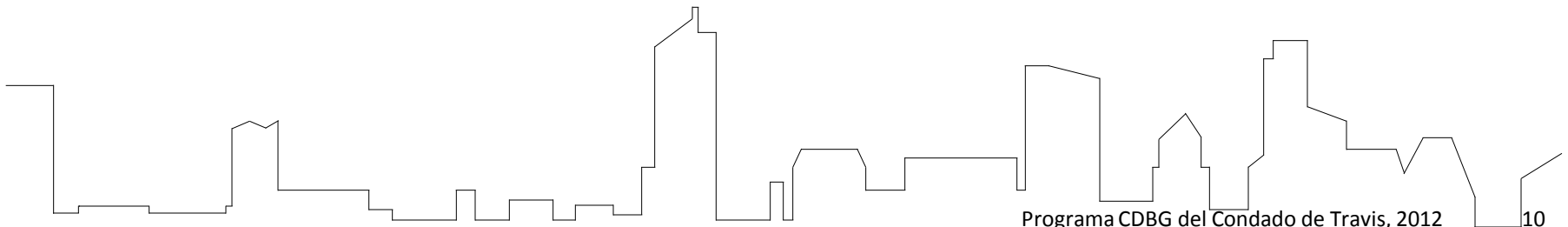
Mediana

Empresas y empleos

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Instalaciones públicas

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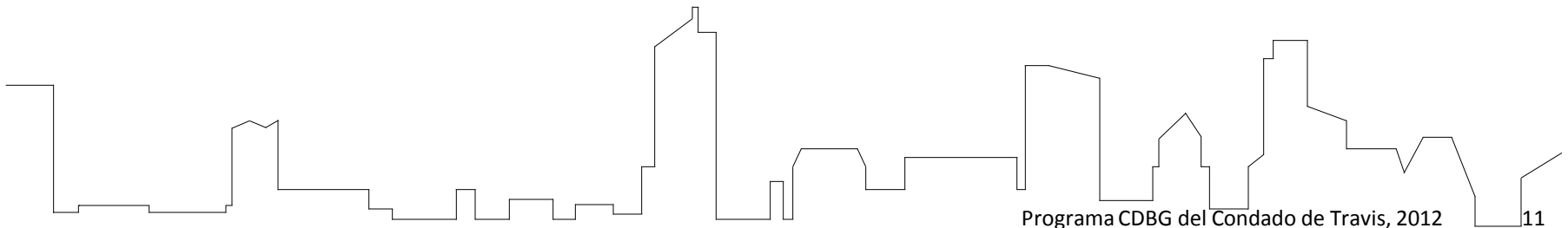
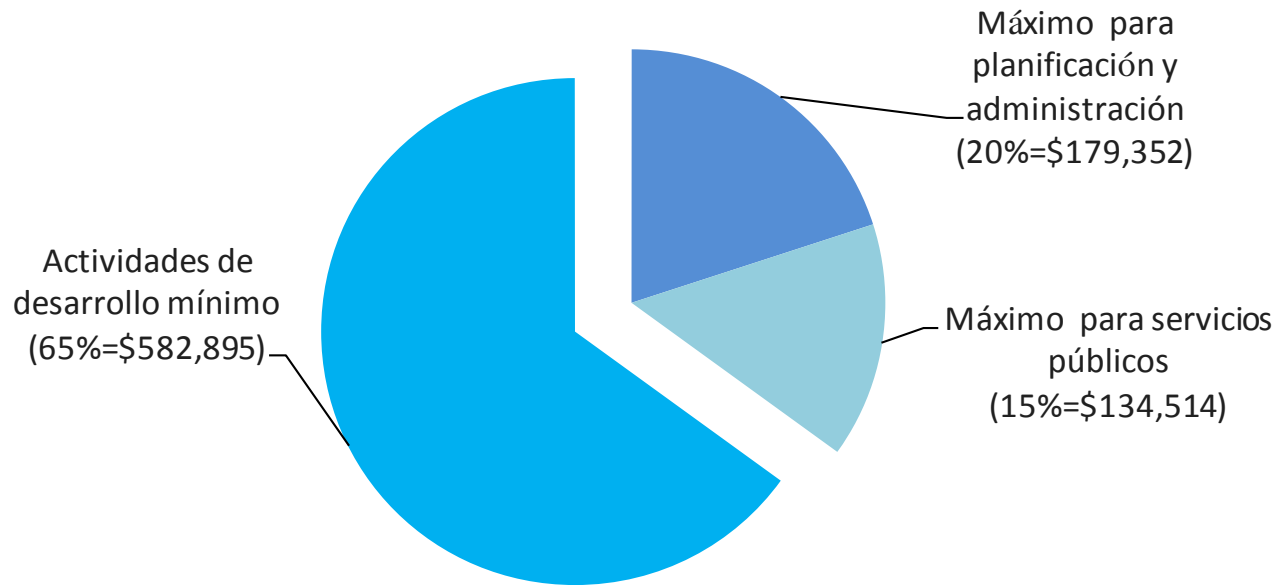


# AÑO PROGRAMÁTICO 2012

## SUBSIDIO ESTIMADO: \$896,341



### Actividades del Programa CDBG



# ANTECEDENTES DE PROYECTOS DEL PROGRAMA CDBG



En los últimos 6 años, el programa CDBG ha financiado:

REHABILITACIÓN DE VIVIENDAS

ADQUISICIÓN DE TERRENOS

MEJORAS A LAS CALLES

PLANIFICACIÓN Y  
ADMINISTRACIÓN

AYUDA PARA COMPRADORES DE  
CASAS

CONEXIONES Y MEJORAS A  
SISTEMAS DE AGUA

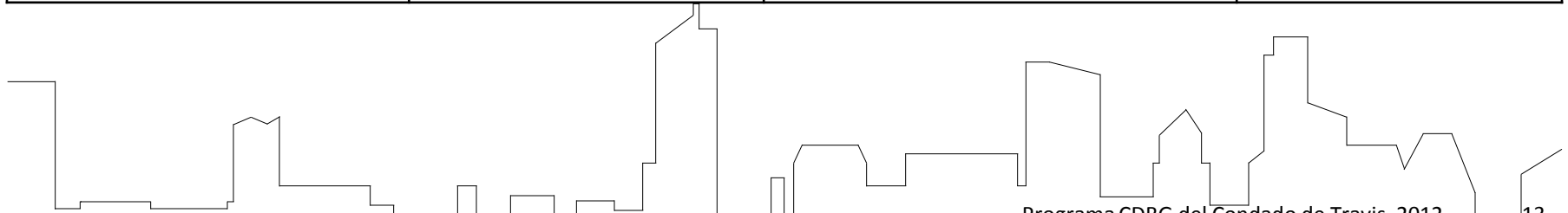
AMPLIACIÓN A LOS PROGRAMAS  
DE TRABAJO SOCIAL

# PRIMAVERA 2012

## PRÓXIMOS PASOS



FEBRERO	MARZO	ABRIL	MAYO	JUNIO	JULIO	AGOSTO
	<p>Cinco (5) Audiencias Públicas para conocer necesidades comunitarias y recomendaciones de uso de los fondos</p>	<p>Evaluación de las ideas de proyectos</p>		<p>Aprobación de proyectos por la Corte de Comisionados del Condado</p>		<p>Aprobación final del Plan de Acción por la Corte de Comisionados y presentación a HUD antes del 15</p>
	<p>Solicitud de ideas de proyectos (fecha tope para presentar propuestas: 31 de Marzo)</p>			<p>Dos (2) audiencias públicas y un periodo de 30 días para comentar los usos propuestos del CDBG</p>		



# INFORMACIÓN PARA COMUNICARSE CON EL CDBG



**SITIO WEB** [www.co.travis.tx.us/CDBG](http://www.co.travis.tx.us/CDBG)

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